

EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**FAX RECEIVED**
"OFFICIAL"

JAN 22 2003

TELECOPY**GROUP 1600****OFFICIAL**COGNIS CORPORATION
2500 RENAISSANCE BLVD.
SUITE 200
GULPH MILLS, PA 19406DATE: January 21, 2003**TO:**Name: Ex. S. A. Jiang, Ph.D.
Art Unit 1617Location: USPTOFax No.: (703) 872-9307**FROM:**Name: Aaron R. EttelmanLocation: Gulph Mills, PA**RE:** Serial No. 09/830,918Attorney Docket No. H 3630 PCT/USNUMBER OF PAGES 6 INCLUDING THIS COVER PAGE.We are transmitting from facsimile machine (610) 278-4971.If you do not receive all the pages indicated above, please call Rose Stowe at (610) 278-4949 or 278-4920 between 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M.

THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS FAX MESSAGE IS INTENDED ONLY FOR THE PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL USE OF THE DESIGNATED RECIPIENT(S) NAMED ABOVE. THIS MESSAGE MAY BE AN ATTORNEY-CLIENT COMMUNICATION, AND AS SUCH IS PRIVILEGED AND CONFIDENTIAL. IF THE READER OF THIS MESSAGE IS NOT THE INTENDED RECIPIENT OR AN AGENT RESPONSIBLE FOR DELIVERING IT TO THE INTENDED RECIPIENT, YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT YOU HAVE RECEIVED THIS DOCUMENT IN ERROR, AND THAT ANY REVIEW DISSEMINATION, DISTRIBUTION, OR COPYING OF THIS MESSAGE IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED. IF YOU HAVE RECEIVED THIS COMMUNICATION IN ERROR, PLEASE NOTIFY US IMMEDIATELY BY TELEPHONE AND RETURN THE ORIGINAL MESSAGE TO US BY MAIL. THANK YOU.

Attachment to be transmitted is as follows:

- REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AFTER FINAL

Certificate of Facsimile Transmission

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office on the date indicated below.

Rose A. Stowe

Type or print name of person signing certification

Rose A. Stowe

Signature

January 21, 2003

Date

PATENT
Box AF**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re: Patent Application of : Group Art Unit: 1617
Claudia Panzer, *et al.* :
: :
Appln. No.: 09/830,918 : Examiner: Shaojia A. Jiang, Ph.D.
: :
Filed: August 13, 2001 :
: :
For: ALCOHOL-COMPATIBLE CHITOSAN : Attorney Docket
SALTS AND COSMETIC PREP- : No.: H 3630 PCT/US
ARATIONS CONTAINING THE SAME :

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AFTER FINAL

This is in response to the Office Action dated November 19, 2002 (Paper No. 9), in the above-identified application. This response is being timely filed on or before the expiration of the two-month, shortened-statutory period for response, set to expire on January 21, 2003 (January 19, 2003, being a Sunday and January 20, 2003, being a Federal holiday).

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of all pending claims and withdrawal of the Examiner's rejection, in light of the following remarks.

REMARKS

Claims 8-27 are currently pending in the present application.

In Paper No. 9, the Examiner maintains the rejection of claims 8-27 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a), for the reasons of record in the Office Action dated February 26, 2002 (Paper No. 6), as being unpatentable over PCT Publication No. WO96/16991 of Wachter, *et al.*, (hereinafter referred to as "Wachter"), in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,547,988 of Yu, *et al.*,